

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[FMCSA-2012-0102]

Proposed Recommendations on Obstructive Sleep Apnea

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Withdrawal of Notice.

SUMMARY: FMCSA is withdrawing its proposed regulatory guidance for obstructive sleep apnea (OSA) and request for comment as published on April 20, 2012. The Agency is still in the process of carefully reviewing the recommendations submitted by the Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee and Medical Review Board. The initial publication was a clerical error. We anticipate requesting public comment on the recommendations later this year.

DATES: This withdrawal is effective [Date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER]. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Angela Ward, Nurse Consultant

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

A notice was published in the **FEDERAL REGISTER** on April 20, 2012 (77 FR 23794) announcing proposed regulatory guidance on OSA and the medical certification of commercial motor vehicle drivers based on joint recommendations from the Agency's Motor Carrier Safety

Advisory Committee and the Medical Review Board. Because there are a number of initiatives

and programs for which the Agency is currently seeking public engagement and comment,

however, the Agency defers until later this year, a request for public comment on the regulatory

guidance on OSA. This will enable interested parties a better opportunity to focus on and

provide comments on this important safety issue.

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